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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4464

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INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AEMBASSY TEL AVIV 856

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AMMAN FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, SY, EG, IS, US

SUBJECT: SARG CLOSELY CONTROLLING MEDIA REACTION TO SINAI ACCORD

1. SARG TELEVISION AND RADIO SEPT 2-3 HAVE PLAYED SIGNATURE OF SINAI ACCORD TOGETHER WITH EGYPTIAN AND US COMMENTARIES THEREON CALMLY AND OBJECTIVELY. FLICKER OF ANNOYANCE CAN BE SEEN IN DAMASCUS SEPTEMBER 3 PRESS UNDER HEADLINE "ARAB ASTONISHMENT AND ISRAELI OPTIMISM". WHILE THERE NO EDITORIAL COMMENT ON SUBJECT, PRESS WAS PERMITTED QUOTE ARAB WORLD COMMENTARY CRITICAL OF ACCORD, PARTICULARLY ITEMS PUBLISHED IN KUWAIT AND BY WAFA (THE PALESTINIAN NEWS AGENCY).

2. ARAFAT'S STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN SEVERELY PRUNED HERE, ELIMINATING THOSE REMARKS DIRECTLY CRITICAL OF CAIRO.

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3. THE VIETNAM CONNECTION: EDITORIAL IN AL-BAATH SEPT 3 COMMEMO-

RATING VIETNAMESE INDEPENDENCE DAY RECALLS ASAD'S WORDS REMIND-
ING WORLD THAT VIETNAM PROVED MAN POSSESSES MORAL AND
MATERIAL FORCE TO DEFEAT ALL AGRESSION, PARTICULARLY IF UNITED
UNDER ONE COMMAND IN HIS STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION.
"THE RICH VIETNAMESE EXPERIENCE SHOULD BE A GUIDE TO ALL
PEOPLES WHO STILL SUFFER FROM OCCUPATION, EXPANSION AND
AGGRESSION."

4. PRESS NOTED EGYPTIAN VP MUBARAK'S THREE HOUR VISIT
HERE SEPT 2 BRINGING LETTER FROM SADAT TO ASAD. MUBARAK MET
ONLY WITH PRIMIN AYYOUBI.
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